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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

At page 1, please remove the underlining from beneath the title and directly below add the following new paragraphs:

-- CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS --

This application is a Section 371 application based upon PCT/GB97/02708 filed October 8, 1997, and United Kingdom application 9620934.1, filed August 10, 1996.

-- STATEMENT REGARDING FEDERALLY SPONSORED
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